

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the Abstract and claims 1-10 are amended. No new matter is added. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

I. Claim Objections

Claims 1-10 are objected to because of informalities. The claims have been reformatted in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Withdrawal of objection is respectfully requested.

Claim 3 is objected to because it allegedly includes reference characters not enclosed within parentheses. Claim 3 has no reference characters. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

II. 35 U.S.C. §101

The Office Action rejects claims 8 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the Office Action alleges that the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claim 8 is amended to recite "image displaying function that causes the image displaying device to display images." Claim 9 is amended to recite "a storage function allowing a computer to realize a storage medium to store said image data." Withdrawal of the rejection is thus respectfully requested.

III. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 2 and 6-10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,812,859 to Kamimaki et al. ("Kamimaki") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,989,801 to Bruning; and rejects claims 3-5 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Kamimaki and Bruning and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,835,721 to Donahue et al. ("Donahue"). The rejections are respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 recites and independent claims 2 and 8 recite, *inter alia*, an image data acquisition controlling unit that "instructs other terminals to suspend transmission, thereby suspending transmission of image data."

Independent claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, an image data output controlling unit that "suspends output of image data when it is instructed to suspend transmission by said image data acquisition controlling unit." Independent claim 6 recites, *inter alia*, an image output controlling unit that "suspends the outputting of image data if the terminal corresponds to the one to which an instruction to suspend transmission has been given." Independent claim 7 recites, *inter alia*, "the outputting of image data is suspended in the terminal to which an instruction to suspend transmission has been issued." Independent claim 9 recites, *inter alia*, an image data output controlling function which "suspends the outputting of image data if the terminal corresponds to the one to which the instruction to suspend transmission is addressed." Independent claim 10 recites, *inter alia*, the image transmitting module "suspends the outputting of image data if it corresponds to the one which is instructed to suspend transmission by the controller at the projector side."

Kamimaki relates to the resume operation of work stations. Kamimaki does not disclose image displaying device, image data output device, nor the operation of requesting to stop sending output of image data. Bruning is alleged to cure the deficiencies of Kamimaki by showing a network connection. However, Bruning only discloses the connection between image displaying device and terminals, and does not disclose requesting to stop outputting image data.

Further, Donahue is alleged to disclose image displaying by divided displaying mode, but the passage relied upon by the Examiner as disclosing this feature fails to show the divided display mode.

Kamimaki, Bruning and Donohue, alone or in any combination, fail to at least disclose the instruction to other terminals to suspend transmission at all.

Moreover, Kamimaki, Bruning and Donohue, alone or in any combination, fail to disclose that the terminal suspends output of image data when it is instructed to suspend transmission by the image data acquisition controlling unit and the terminal outputs image data when it is not instructed to suspend transmission.

Furthermore, even though Figure 4 of Kamimaki discloses a laptop computer, Kamimaki does not disclose the plurality of terminals that store image data which will be displayed on the displaying device. Moreover, Kamimaki does not disclose an image data store that will be displayed on another display device, nor that the transmission of image data to be displayed. Neither Kamimaki nor Bruning discloses displaying an image in response to the image data.

As disclosed above, Kamimaki fails to disclose at least the instruction of other terminals to suspend transmission, thereby suspending transmission of image data and also fails to disclose the suspension of transmission upon issuance of the instruction. Bruning and Donahue fail to cure the deficiencies of Kamimaki. Thus, the applied references, alone or in any combination, fail to teach or suggest each and every feature of independent claims 1, 2 and 6-10.

For at least these reasons, independent claims 1, 2 and 6-10, and their dependent claims, are patentable over the applied references. Thus, withdrawal of the rejection of the claims is respectfully requested.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-10 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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